IC 21-2-3.2

Chapter 3.2. Petition for Alteration, Construction, or Addition of Township School Building

IC 21-2-3.2-1

Application of chapter

Sec. 1. This chapter applies to a township in which there is not a city or town that operates public schools within the city or town. *As added by Acts 1980, P.L.8, SEC.121*.

IC 21-2-3.2-2

Petition for alteration, construction, or addition to a building Sec. 2. If:

(1) a petition signed by at least one hundred (100) freeholders of the township is filed with the township trustee asking for the alteration or construction of a building or for an addition to a building to be used for teaching the children of the township the arts of agriculture, domestic science, or physical culture; and (2) the building or addition to buildings may be used by the citizens of the township for school and community entertainment and for other public purposes;

then the township trustee, with the consent of the township board, may grant the petition and shall alter or construct a building or an addition to a building, as will best meet the needs of the citizens of the township.

As added by Acts 1980, P.L.8, SEC.121. Amended by P.L.8-1987, SEC.60.

IC 21-2-3.2-3

Approval of department of local government finance; hearing

- Sec. 3. Before altering or constructing the building or addition, the proposed action must be submitted for approval to the department of local government finance. The department of local government finance shall set the proposal for hearing and have ten (10) days' notice of the hearing given to the taxpayers of the taxing district by:
 - (1) one (1) publication in each of two (2) newspapers of opposite political parties published in the taxing district;
 - (2) one (1) publication if only one (1) newspaper is published;
 - (3) publication in two (2) newspapers representing the two (2) leading political parties published in the county and having a general circulation in the taxing district if no newspaper is published in the district; or
 - (4) publication in one (1) newspaper if only one (1) paper is published in the county.

The department of local government finance shall conduct the hearing in the taxing district. After the hearing upon the proposal, the department of local government finance shall certify its approval or disapproval to the auditor of the county and to the township trustee. As added by Acts 1980, P.L.8, SEC.121. Amended by P.L.90-2002, SEC.419.

IC 21-2-3.2-4

Bonds; issuance and sale; maturity date

Sec. 4. Upon approval by the department of local government finance, the township trustee may, with the consent of the township board, issue and sell the bonds of the civil township in an amount sufficient to pay for the alteration, construction, or addition described in section 2 of this chapter. The trustee may levy a tax on the taxable property of the township in an amount sufficient to discharge the bonds issued and sold. The bonds may not bear a maturity date more than twenty (20) years from the date of issue. As added by Acts 1980, P.L.8, SEC.121. Amended by P.L.8-1987, SEC.61; P.L.90-2002, SEC.420.

IC 21-2-3.2-5

Cooperation with school township or district

Sec. 5. In carrying out this section, the township trustee may join with the school township or district in the alteration, construction, or addition, contracting together and joining in the employment of an engineer or architect.

As added by Acts 1980, P.L.8, SEC.121.